

REMARKS

Claims 1-5, 7-11 and 13-17 are pending in the application, with claims 1, 7 and 13 being the independent claims. Claims 1, 7 and 13 are sought to be amended. Entry and consideration of this Amendment is respectfully requested. No new matter is believed to have been introduced by this Amendment.

Applicant has made the above Amendment to more particularly point out and distinctly claim the subject matter which Applicant regards as the invention. Based on the above Amendment and the following Remarks, Applicant respectfully requests that the Examiner reconsider and withdraw all outstanding objections and rejections.

Rejections under 35 U.S.C. § 102(e)

Claims 1-5, 7-11 and 13-17 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 102(e) as being allegedly unpatentable over U.S. Patent No. 6,118,492 (hereinafter referred to as "Milnes et al."). Applicant respectfully traverses these rejections with regard to pending claims 1-5, 7-11 and 13-17 since Milnes et al. does not teach or suggest each element of amended independent claims 1, 7 and 13 for at least the following reason.

A typical electronic program guide for only broadcast content does not provide any access to viewers of available stored content data files, such as stored movies, music files, video games, computer media, and so forth. Thus, the present invention allows the service provider to provide access to its stored content data files via the electronic programming

guide in the same manner that broadcast content is accessible.

Independent claims 1, 7 and 13 were amended to include a similar feature of allowing a user access to one or more stored content data files via an electronic program guide that includes the content information for the one or more stored content data files and content information for broadcast content. More specifically, the claimed invention allows the content service provider of the one or more stored content data files to determine a number of line items that are allocated in the electronic program guide to represent the content information for the stored content data files. The content service provider is then charged an amount for each of the allocated line items in the electronic program guide for content information for the stored content data files. Thus, the present invention allows the service provider to provide access to its stored content data files via the electronic programming guide in the same manner that broadcast content is accessible.

Applicant respectfully submits that Milnes et al. teaches or suggests variations to an electronic program guide for broadcast content only. Therefore, for at least this reason, independent claims 1, 7 and 13 (and their dependent claims 2-5, 8-11 and 14-17) are patentable over Milnes et al. Accordingly, Applicant requests that the rejections under 35 U.S.C. § 102(e) be reconsidered and withdrawn.

INVITATION FOR A TELEPHONE INTERVIEW

The Examiner is invited to call the undersigned, Molly A. McCall, at (703) 633-3311 if there remains any issue with allowance of the case.

CONCLUSION

Applicant respectfully submits that all of the stated grounds of rejection have been properly traversed accommodated or rendered moot. Applicant believes that a full and complete response has been made to the outstanding Office Action. Thus, Applicant believes that the present application is in condition for allowance, and as such, Applicant respectfully requests reconsideration and withdrawal of the outstanding objections and rejections, and allowance of this application.

Respectfully submitted,

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